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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

This communication is in reply to the Office Action dated January 8, 2004, imposing a restriction requirement in the above-captioned patent application. The period for response to the Official Action is set to expire on February 8, 2004. Accordingly, applicant believes that this response is timely filed. No fee is believed to be due for this filing. Should any fee be due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge such fees to Deposit Account No. 50-2350. No extensions of time are believed to be due for this filing; however, should any extensions of time be needed for timely acceptance of papers submitted herewith, applicant hereby petitions for such extension under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 and authorizes payment of any such extensions fees to Deposit Account No. 50-2350. For the purpose of charging said deposit account, duplicates of page 1 and the signature page of this response are submitted herewith.

In response to the restriction requirement, applicant provisionally elects the claims of Group I, claims 1-21, 32, 33 and 39-45, for examination with traverse. Applicants